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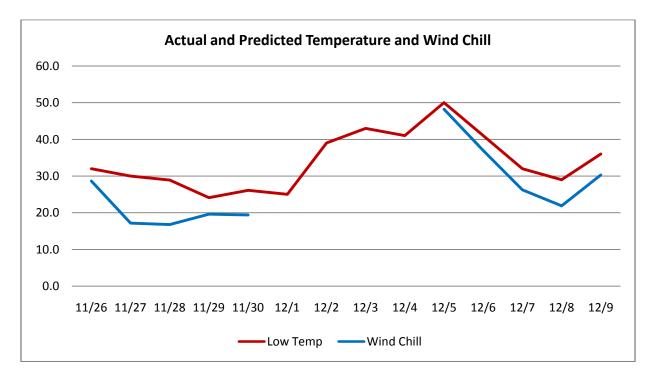
Weekly Cold-related Illness Surveillance Report

December 4, 2013 Reporting for 11/26/13 through 12/02/13

National Weather Service Forecast: No extreme cold forecasted.

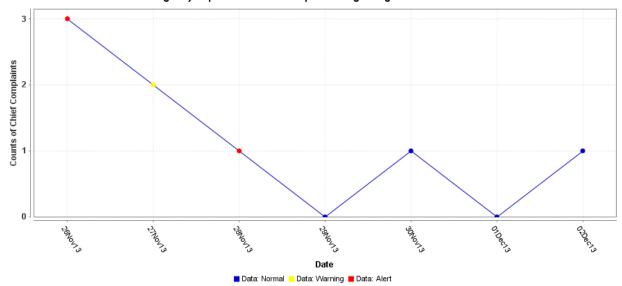
Cold Advisories Declared During the Previous Week: 0

Total Cold Advisories Declared This Winter: 0

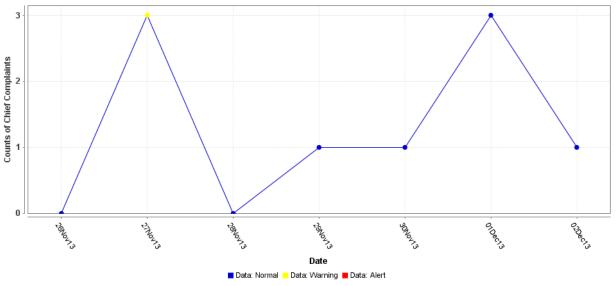


Note: Wind Chill is only calculated for temperatures below 50°F and wind speeds above 3 mph

Emergency Department Chief Complaints Regarding Cold-related Illness





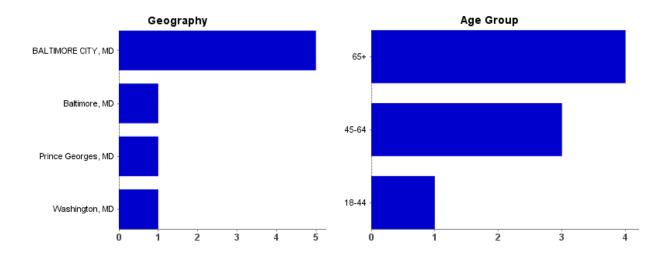


Date	Number of Chief Complaints	Number of Chief Complaints Regarding	
	Regarding Cold-related Illness	Carbon Monoxide Exposure	
November 26	3	0	
November 27	2	3	
November 28	1	0	
November 29	0	1	
November 30	1	1	
December 1	0	3	
December 2	1	1	

^{*}Note: ESSENCE chief complaint query for cold-related illness contains the following terms: hypothermia, frostbite, frostnip, chilblain, and trench foot

There were no chief complaint clusters identified during the week.

Geographical and Age Group Distribution of Emergency Department Chief Complaints Regarding Cold-related Illnesses for November 26 through December 2, 2013



Total Number of Cold-related Deaths	Jurisdiction*	Age Group	Gender
1	Prince George's	45-64 Years Old	Male

^{*}Refers to the jurisdiction where the death occurred.

There was one cold-related death reported this week.

There has been a total of one cold-related death during the reporting period this winter.

For media inquiries, please contact the Office of Communications: <u>410-767-6490</u>

Wind Chill Advisory/Warning Criteria: The National Weather Service issues a Wind Chill Advisory for projected wind chill factors of -5°F to -20°F, and a Wind Chill Warning when the projected wind chill is for -20° or less.

Note: The cold report will be released on Wednesdays, with the reporting period being the previous Tuesday through Monday.

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